

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L QUITO 4440

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MPOL, EC, CI  
SUBJECT: HIGH-LEVEL ECUADOREAN MILITARY MISSION TO VISIT CHILE

REF: IR 6-828-0134-77

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. QUITO PAPERS CARRIED JULY 5 LOCAL  
AND SANTIAGO-DATELINED UPI REPORTS THAT A HIGH-LEVEL ECUADOREAN  
MILITARY MISSION WILL DEPART JULY 6 FOR A SIX-DAY VISIT TO  
CHILE. ACCORDING TO THE REPORTS THE MISSION WILL MEET WITH  
SENIOR GOC OFFICIALS, INCLUDING FOREIGN MINISTER CARVAJAL,  
AND WILL VISIT SEVERAL MILITARY INSTALLATIONS AND CHILEAN  
CITIES. THE MISSION CONSISTS OF: RETIRED GENERAL ANDRES  
ARRATA, MINISTER OF DEFENSE; VICE ADMIRAL RENAN OLMEDO  
GONZALEZ, CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS; GENERAL BOLIVAR LOPEZ  
HERMANN, CHIEF OF THE GUAYAQUIL MILITARY ZONE; AND BRIGADIER  
GENERAL LUIS ABAD, CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE AIR FORCE.  
END UNCLASSIFIED.

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2. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL. MILITARY CONTACTS BETWEEN  
ECUADOR AND CHILE HAVE INCREASED MARKEDLY IN THE PAST  
SIX MONTHS, BUT THIS IS ONE OF THE FEW TO RECEIVE ANY  
PUBLICITY. IN ADDITION TO THE PROTOCOLARY ASPECTS OF  
THE VISIT, WE BELIEVE THE TWO SIDES WILL DISCUSS MILITARY  
COOPERATION IN THE EVENT OF WAR IN THE SUBREGION.  
ALTHOUGH ECUADOR AND CHILE ARE OBVIOUSLY MOVING

TOWARD GREATER MILITARY COOPERATION, MOST OBSERVERS  
DOUBT THAT A FORMAL DEFENSE ARRANGEMENT IS LIKELY,  
BECAUSE OF THE NEGATIVE EFFECT SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT WOULD  
HAVE ON BOTH COUNTRIES' RELATIONS WITH PERU. WE WOULD  
APPRECIATE EMBASSY LIMA'S COMMENTS ON PERUVIAN  
REACTIONS TO THIS VISIT. END CONFIDENTIAL.  
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